

REMARKS

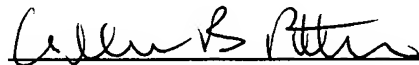
This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 20, 2004. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1-11 have been cancelled, and claims 12-38 have been added. Applicant respectfully requests examination of the new claims.

Claims 1-11 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph. Cancellation of claims 1-11 renders this rejection moot.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant believes the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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